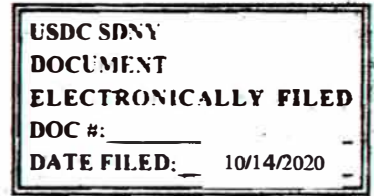


**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**



AMY L. BALLIS, et al.,

**Plaintiffs,**

**19-CV-05859 (GHW)(SN)**

**-against-**

**ORDER**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al.,

**Defendants.**


**SARAH NETBURN, United States Magistrate Judge:**

On Friday, October 9, 2020, the Honorable Gregory H. Woods assigned this matter to my docket for settlement. In light of the Court's busy calendar, settlement conferences must generally be scheduled at least six to eight weeks in advance. The Court will likely be unable to accommodate last-minute requests for settlement conferences, and the parties should not anticipate that litigation deadlines will be adjourned in response to late requests for settlement conferences. The parties are directed to contact Courtroom Deputy Rachel Slusher by email at Rachel\_Slusher@nysd.uscourts.gov with three (3) mutually convenient dates, to schedule a settlement conference for a time when they believe it would be productive.

The parties should assume that the settlement conference will be conducted by telephone using a platform that will allow the Court to hold confidential conversations with counsel and the party representative(s) for each side.

**SO ORDERED.**

DATED: October 14, 2020  
New York, New York

  
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SARAH NETBURN  
United States Magistrate Judge